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**TLP: AMBER  
CIS CYBER ALERT**

**TO: All Homeland Security Advisors, MS-ISAC Members, and Fusion Centers**

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**SUBJECT: Anonymous Operations Scheduled for November 5, 2013 – Million Mask March and OpForTheLulz**

**OVERVIEW:**

**Million Mask March**

The Million Mask March on November 5, 2013, also referred to as OpNov5th, is an international Anonymous-organized event in honor of Guy Fawkes Day in the United Kingdom. Anonymous advertises the march as a peaceful demonstration, which is protected by the Constitution, drawing attention to causes ranging from basic human and civil rights to grievances against the current “oppressive and tyrannical government.” Anonymous actors are organizing demonstrations in over 150 US cities. **Attached to this email is a list of US cities and states with scheduled demonstrations, as well as the Facebook pages for each event.**

While this is supposed to be a peaceful protest, Anonymous indicates they are prepared for the “same type of unprovoked violence from law enforcement that happened during the Occupy rallies.” No threats of violence have been made; however, Anonymous is preparing their own “medical teams” to treat demonstrators who may be injured in the event of law enforcement intervention. Additionally, law enforcement should be aware of participants using mobile phones to record interactions with law enforcement and other authorities. Some smartphone applications can automatically broadcast the recordings online or make the phone appear to be off by displaying a black screen while recording.

**On October 28, 2013, Anonymous released a YouTube video (<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3HRd16GCaJc>) with a message to the Washington, D.C., police stating that if there are unlawful arrests of protestors, or if police interfere with protestors who are recording the event, Anonymous will target their “servers, phone lines, emails, and whatever else they can find.”** While this message is specific to the Washington, D.C. march, law enforcement agencies should consider it applicable to other Million Mask March locations.

**Cyber Threats**

In addition to the Million Mask March, members of Anonymous posted OpForTheLulz, targeted towards individuals who conduct cyber attacks for personal entertainment, or “lulz.” The video advocates attacking “whoever you want on November 5th with whatever means necessary to take down your target.” An OpVendetta demonstration is also planned for November 5<sup>th</sup> around London, England, and includes some generic threats of cyber attacks. While both of these operations may include cyber attacks, they are not organized efforts and no US targets or tactics have been posted by Anonymous members or affiliates. If cyber attacks are conducted on November 5<sup>th</sup>, they will likely be disorganized and on a small scale.

**REFERENCES:** For further information please see the links below:

<http://www.digitaljournal.com/article/358356>

<http://www.digitaljournal.com/article/358726>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iGIGDeFcdo8>

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4\\_010FXr1B8](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4_010FXr1B8)

<http://www.millionmaskmarch.org> (**This is an Anonymous website**; CIS does not recommend accessing it from an agency computer due to the possibility of Anonymous monitoring visitors and/or compromising visiting computers with malware.)

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

We recommend the following actions be taken:

- Remind users not to visit un-trusted websites or follow links provided by unknown or un-trusted sources
- Remind users to be cautious when clicking on links in emails coming from trusted sources
- Ensure anti-virus is installed and definitions are up to date
- Ensure patches and updates are installed for operating systems and applications
- Run regular vulnerability scans against the network and web applications
- Ensure law enforcement authorities are aware of the planned demonstration site and the potential for antagonistic behavior and cover recording

The Center for Internet Security (CIS) will continue to monitor Anonymous operations scheduled for November 5, 2013 and will inform affected parties as necessary.

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